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FOR THE SECRETARY OF COMMERCE FROM THE AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: MILAN TRADE CENTER BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

1. AS ITS OFFICIAL BICENTENNIAL EVENT, THE MILAN TRADE CENTER HAS SCHEDULED A SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL SEMINAR TO TAKE PLACE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CENTER'S FIFTH ANNUAL EDP-USA EXHIBITION. THE SEMINAR, WHICH WILL BE CO-SPONSORED BY FAST (FEDERAZIONE DELLE ASSOCIAZIONI SCIENTIFICHE E TECNICHE), WILL BRING TOGETHER A DISTINGUISHED GROUP OF ITALIAN AND AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC AUTHORITIES AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

2. IN VIEW OF THE IMPORTANCE OF THE EVENT, MAY I ASK IF YOU WOULD BE WILLING TO EXTEND THE INVITATIONS PERSONALLY TO THE AMERICAN COUNTERPARTS? THERE FOLLOWS A SUGGESTED LETTER, AND A SEPARATE TELEGRAM WILL CONTAIN THE PROGRAM OF THE SEMINAR AND THE LIST OF PARTICIPANTS.

3. QTE THE UNITED STATES TRADE CENTER IN MILAN, WITH THE COOPERATION OF ITALY'S MOST PRESTIGIOUS SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL ASSOCIATION, THE FEDERAZIONE DELLE ASSOCIAZIONI SCIENTIFICHE E TECNICHE (FAST), HAS SCHEDULED A SPECIAL BICENTENNIAL SYMPOSIUM ON "200 YEARS OF AMERICAN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF MAKIND". THIS MEETING, TO BE HELD FROM MAY 11-12, WILL BE INAUGURATED BY AMBASSADOR JOHN A. VOLPE.

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4. QTE TO MY MIND, THIS SYMPOSIUM PROMISES TO BE AN OUT-  
STANDING EVENT IN THE OFFICIAL U.S. BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION  
IN ITALY, AND I BELIEVE IT WILL MAKE A SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION  
TO FURTHERING COMMUNICATIONS AND KNOWLEDGE BETWEEN THE ITALIAN  
AND AMERICAN SCIENTIFIC AND PUBLIC COMMUNITIES.

5. QTE DISTINGUISHED ITALIAN SCIENTIFIC AND PUBLIC OFFICIALS  
WILL ATTEND AND PARTICIPATE IN THIS PRESTIGIOUS EVENT. THERE-  
FORE, BECAUSE OF YOUR RECOGNIZED LEADERSHIP IN AMERICAN SCIENCE  
AND TECHNOLOGY, I WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE  
AND TO PRESENT A PAPER ON (BLANK), AS SUGGESTED IN THE ATTACHED  
SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE.

6. QTE THE SITE OF THIS SYMPOSIUM, THE UNITED STATES TRADE  
CENTER IN MILAN, IS A PERMANENT INSTITUTION OF THE US  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE UNITED  
STATES. LIKE OUR OTHER TRADE CENTERS WORLDWIDE, IT IS A  
PERMANENT SHOW CASE FOR THE LATEST ADVANCES IN AMERICAN  
TECHNOLOGY. THIS SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM IS BEING  
HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CENTER'S FIFTH EXHIBITION ON  
ELECTRONIC DATA-PROCESSING, CALLED EDP-USA, THE LATEST PRODUCTS  
OF MOST LEADING AMERICAN MANUFACTURERS OF COMPUTERS AND  
RELATED EQUIPMENT.

7. QTE I SINCERELY URGE YOUR ACCEPTANCE OF THIS INVITATION  
SO THAT YOU MAY CONTRIBUTE TO THE SUCCESS OF THIS SYMPOSIUM,  
WHICH, I BELIEVE, WILL BE A MOST FITTING WAY TO COMMEMORATE  
WITH THE ITALIAN SCIENTIFIC AND PUBLIC COMMUNITY, OUR NATION'S  
200TH ANNIVERSARY. UNQTE

8. BEST REGARDS.VOLPE

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